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SUBJECT: INTERVIEW WITH SWEDISH TELEVISION

1. AHRAH FEB 27 CARRIES HIGHLIGHTS OF SADAT'S INTERVIEW WITH SWEDISH TELEVISION. FOLLOWING ARE SLIENT POINTS:

A. STATE OF BELLIGERENCY. EGYPT CANNOT PROVIDE ISRAEL WITH PLEDGE TO TERMINATE STATE OF BELLIGERENCY WHILE ISRAELIS ARE OCCUPYING EGYPTIAN TERRITORY. THIS WOULD BE TANTAMOUNT TO GIVING ISRAEL OFFICIAL INVITATION TO CONTINUE OCCUPATION.

B. SEPARATE AGREEMENT. "I WILL NOT CONCLUDE A SEPARATE AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL."

C. CRITICAL NATURE OF SECRETARY'S MISSION. FOR FIRST TIME IN 26 YEARS THERE IS CHANCE TO ACHIEVE LASTING AND JUST PEACE IN ME. IF SECRETARY DOES NOT SUCCEED, THE ALTERNATIVE IS UNCLASSIFIED

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"VERY DANGEROUS".

D. SOVIET AID. EGYPT HAS RECEIVED NO REPLACEMENT OF SOVIET ARMS SINCE OCTOBER WAR. CONTRACTS EXIST BETWEEN GOE AND USSR DATED 1973 AND 1974. ONLY IN JANUARY 1975 DID EGYPT BEGIN RECEIVE FIRST SUPPLY IN IMPLEMENTATION THESE CONTRACTS, BUT THIS IS NOT ENOUGH.

E. PALESTINE. PALESTINIAN ISSUE IS HEART OF WHOLE PROBLEM, AND SINCE RABAT, PLO IS AUTHORITY HAVING RIGHT TO SPEAK ON ISSUE AND THROUGH WHICH SOLUTION CAN BE REACHED.

2. SADAT'S REMARKS TO PRESS OCCURRED AFTER HIS MEETING WITH VISITING SWEDISH FONMIN ANDERSON. LATTER ALSO ADDRESSED PRESS, NOTING WISE POLICY OF PRESIDENT SADAT WHO IS "DETERMINED ACHIEVE PEACE". ANDERSSON REPORTEDLY SAID HE AGREES WITH SADAT THT PEACE CANNOT BE ACHIEVED AS LONG AS TERRITORIES ARE OCCUPIED BY FORCE OF ARMS. HE AFFIRMED NECESSITY OF RECOGNIZING "RIGHTS" OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE TO SET UP THEIR OWN STATE, AND ADDED THAT HIS COUNTRY WOULD WELCOME ESTABLISHMENT OF A PLO OFFICE.
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